



PACE

5+ instrument options

Motivation for ACROSS:

Table 1: P, S, and T = primary, secondary, and tertiary sensitivity to carry out ACT

Instrument	Data (sub-)set	Scattering	Absorption	Height	Spectrum
OCI	○ radiance ○ [NUV-SWIR]	○ $P \rightarrow (r_e, v_e, N)$ ○ [NIR, SWIR]	○ $P \rightarrow (m_i)$ ○ [NUV] [†]	○ $S \rightarrow (z)$ ○ [NIR] [†]	○ $P \rightarrow (x_{ocn})$ ○ [NUV, VIS] [§]
OCI/OG	○ radiance ○ [$O_2 A$ band]	○ $T \rightarrow (r_e, v_e, N)$ ○ [$O_2 A$]	○ $S \rightarrow (m_i)$ ○ [$O_2 A$]	○ $P \rightarrow (z)$ ○ [$O_2 A$]	-
OCI+	○ radiance ○ [1378, 2250]	○ $P \rightarrow (\text{cirrus})$ ○ $P \rightarrow (r_e, v_e, N)$ [†]	[1378] [2250]	-	-
OCI-3M, OCI/A-3M	○ polarization ○ [VIS-SWIR]	○ $P \rightarrow (m_r, f_{\text{spheroid}}, \text{cirrus})$ ○ [VIS, NIR, SWIR]	○ $S \rightarrow (m_i)$ ○ [VIS]	○ $T \rightarrow (z)$ ○ [VIS]	○ $T \rightarrow (x_{ocn})$ ○ [NUV, VIS] [§]

aerosol

ocean

Table 2: Retrievable parameters and state vector for the atmosphere and ocean.

Vector	Layer	Effective size distribution [†]	Spectral refractive index	Amount	Shape [§]
x_{atm}	○ z_{top} (○ z_{bot})	○ Fine ○ radius: r_e (fine) ○ variance: v_e (fine)	○ real: m_r (fine) (λ) ○ imaginary: m_i (fine) (λ)	○ N (fine)	- ($f_{\text{spheroid}} = 0$)
		○ Large ○ radius: r_e (large) ○ variance: v_e (large)	○ real: m_r (large) (λ) ○ imaginary: m_i (large) (λ)	○ N (large)	○ $f_{\text{spheroid}} \geq 0$

[†] as defined by Hansen and Travis (1974), with r_e (fine) < 1 μm [§] $f_{\text{spheroid}} \equiv$ fraction of particles that are spheroids

Objectives for ACROSS:

To evaluate the ACT capability of PACE instrument options, we will

1. assess data information for various instrument options,
2. invert synthetic measurements and optimize ACT
3. validate performance using PACE-like field observations for a range of instrument options.

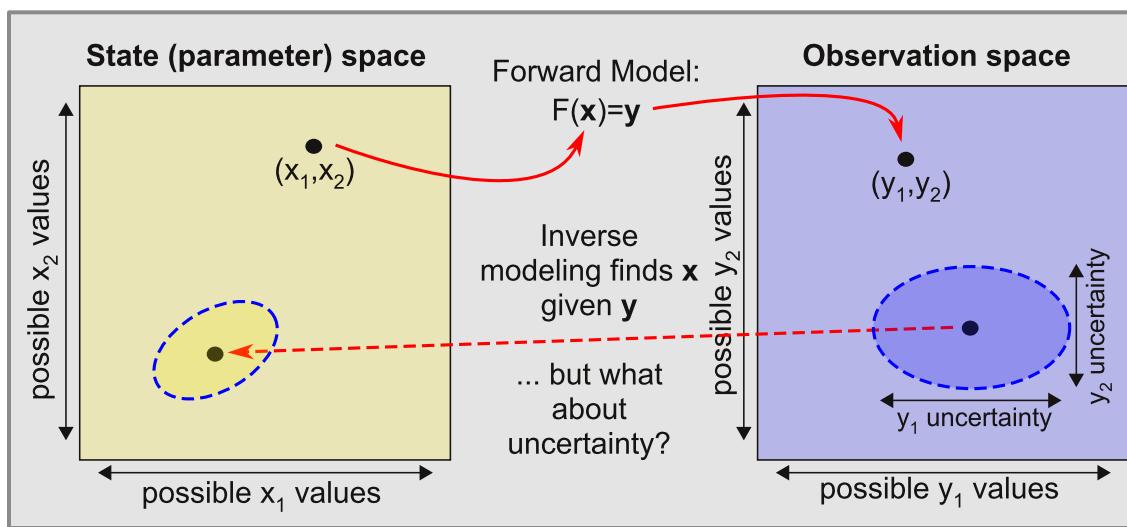
Vector	Particulate matter	Plankton	Dissolved and detrital matter	Surface wind [¶]
x_{ocn}	○ b_{bp} ($\lambda_0 = 443 \text{ nm}$) [†]	○ $[\text{Chl}]$ [‡]	○ a_{cdm} ($\lambda_0 = 443 \text{ nm}$) [§]	○ speed ○ direction

[¶] see Eq. (1)[†] see Eq. (2)[‡] see Eq. (3)[§] for pixels contaminated by sun glint



1. Information content analyses

- Relates measurement characteristics to expected (best case) retrieval uncertainty
- Bayesian statistical basis (C.D. Rodgers: Inverse Methods for Atmospheric Sounding, 2000)
- Possible collaborations: R. Frouin ([Bayesian approach](#)), O. Kalashnikova



Retrieval error covariance matrix: expected parameter uncertainty, degrees of freedom

Measurement error covariance matrix: how we specify instrument characteristics

$$\hat{S} = [K^T S_{\epsilon}^{-1} K + S_a^{-1}]^{-1}$$

Jacobian matrix: model calculated parameter sensitivity

$$K_{i,j} = \partial F_i(x) / \partial x_j$$

Prior knowledge matrix: uncertainty range of our expected results

"Essentially, all models are wrong, but some are useful"

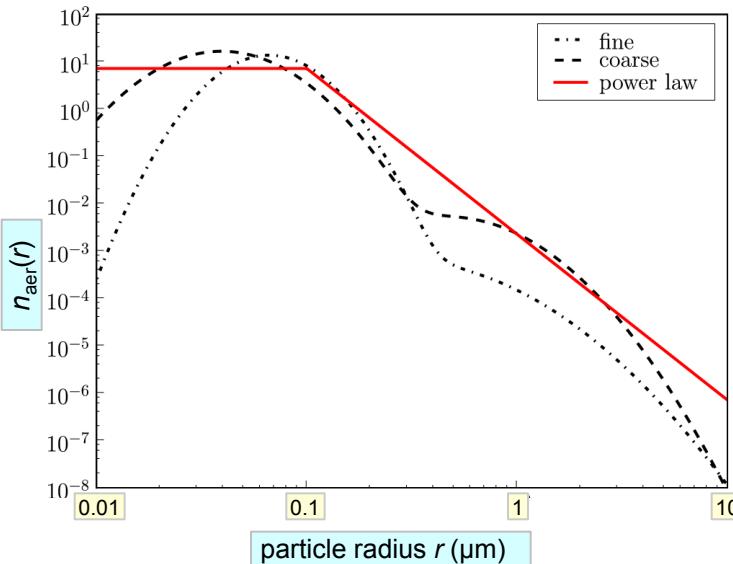
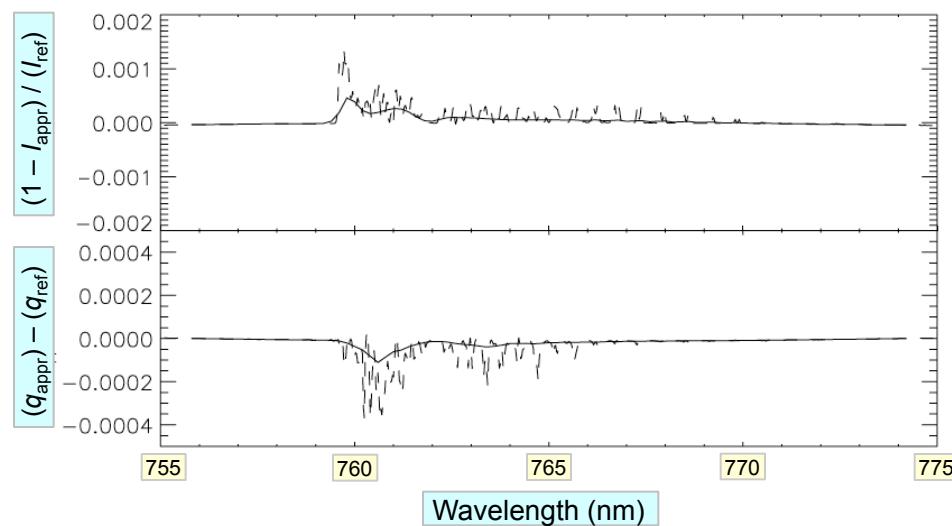
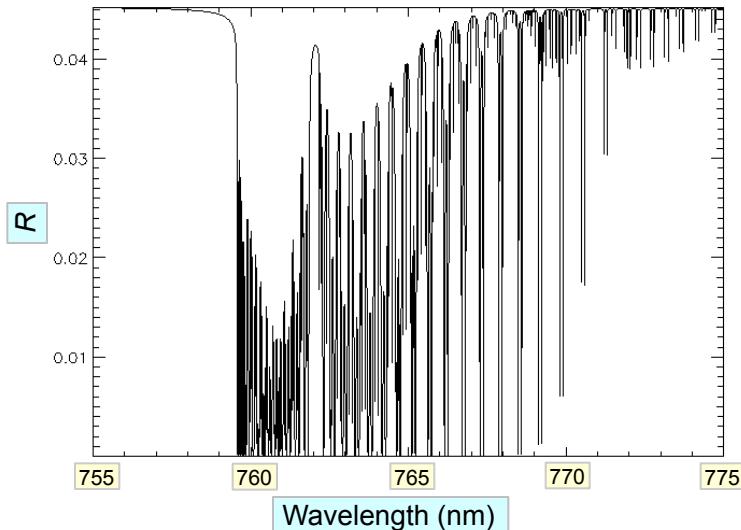
— George Box

- Quick instrument prototyping**
Radiative transfer calculations only needed to make Jacobians
- Shows best possible retrieval uncertainty**
Does not account for model limitations, convergence, “unknown unknowns”.
- Cannot do better than this without additional information**
Shows capability upper limit
- Well established technique**
Used in variety of disciplines



1. Information content analyses

- O₂ A-band aerosol retrievals: RemoTec
- Possible collaborations: R. Frouin, S. Platnick (O₂ A-band)

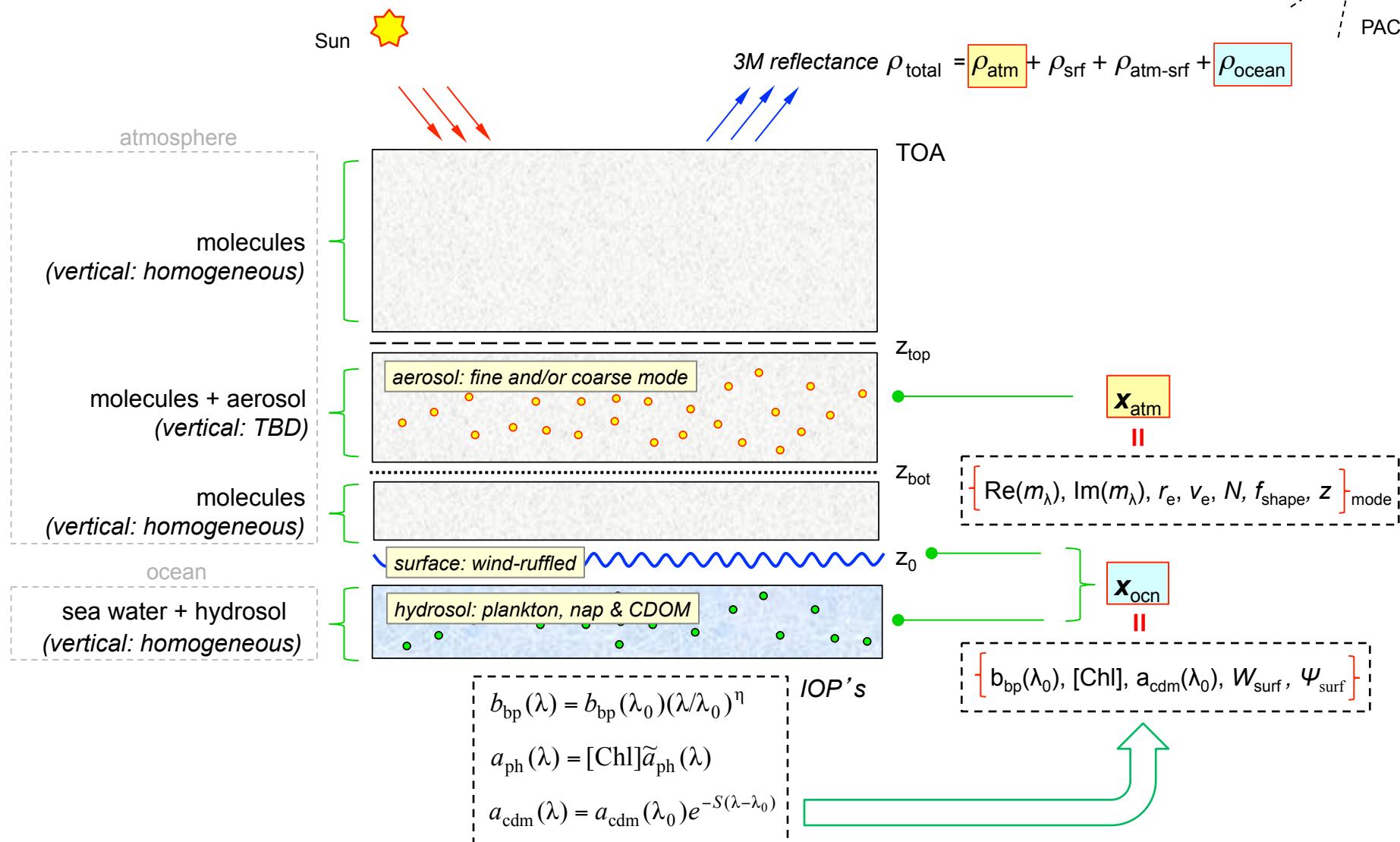
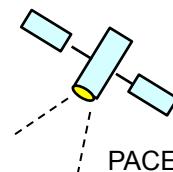


- a) Well-established model**
Used for aerosol correction in GHG retrievals (*GOSAT, TROPOMI, OCO-2*)
- b) Fast results**
Efficient modeling of O₂ A-band using modified k-binning approach
- c) Flexible set-up**
Aerosol distribution, height distribution, spectral resolution, etc.



2. Synthetic measurements

- Possible collaborations: S. Ackleson, E. Boss, S. Maritorena, B. Mitchel, Z. Lee ([IOPs](#)); X. Zhang, J. Sullivan, M. Twardowski ([VSF](#))





3. Validation studies

- Possible collaborations: O. Kalashnikova, B.-C. Gao, Z. Lee ([data analyses](#))

Campaign	Data sets	(PACE-like)	ACT products
ACOCO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> AVIRIS (high-altitude airborne, radiance) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hyperspectral imaging: {370–2500 nm} [†] RSP (high-altitude airborne, radiance) [‡] <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3M: 152 views along ground track, total radiance, linear polarized radiance, 412, 470, 555, 670, 865, 1590, 2250 nm} 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> OCI, OCI+ (NUV–SWIR) OCI-3M (3M) 	<p style="color: red; transform: rotate(-90deg); position: absolute; left: -10px; top: 50%;">retrieve</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Atmosphere: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> $x_{\text{atm}} \rightarrow \rho_{\text{atm}}(\lambda)$ Ocean: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> $x_{\text{ocn}} \rightarrow \rho_w(\lambda)$
OCEANIA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> C-AIR (airborne, radiance) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Up- & downwelling: {320, 340, 380, 395, 412, 443, 465, 490, 510, 532, 555, 589, 625, 670, 683, 710, 780 nm} Downwelling irradiance Aerosol measurements (airborne, <i>in-situ</i>) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Particle size distribution ($\rightarrow r_e, v_e$) Particle concentration (N) Particle scattering coefficient ($\rightarrow m_r$) {450, 550, 700 nm} Particle absorption coefficient ($\rightarrow m_i$) {462, 523, 648 nm} Microtops II sunphotometer (shipborne, sky radiance) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8 bands: {340, 380, 440, 500, 675, 870, 936, 1020 nm} ($\rightarrow AOD, r_e, v_e$) C-OPS (shipborne, underwater radiance) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Upwelling: {320, 340, 380, 395, 412, 443, 465, 490, 510, 532, 555, 589, 625, 670, 683, 710, 780 nm} Downwelling irradiance IOPs and pigment measurements (shipborne, <i>in-situ</i>) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Absorption coefficients ($a_{\text{blk}}, a_{\text{ph}}, a_{\text{cdm}}$): {350–750 nm} [§] Particle backscattering coefficient (b_{bp}): {420, 442, 470, 510, 590, 700 nm} Chlorophyll a concentration ([Chl]) 	<p style="color: red; transform: rotate(-90deg); position: absolute; left: -10px; top: 50%;">validate</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Atmosphere: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> $\rho_{\text{atm}}(\lambda)$ Atmosphere: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> x_{atm} Ocean: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> $\rho_w(\lambda)$ Ocean: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> x_{ocn} 	

[†] 10 nm spectral resolution [§] 1–2 nm spectral resolution [¶] Stokes parameters I, Q, U [‡] pixel size limit: 280 m